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# Real-time Transport for QUIC

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# Potential Use Cases

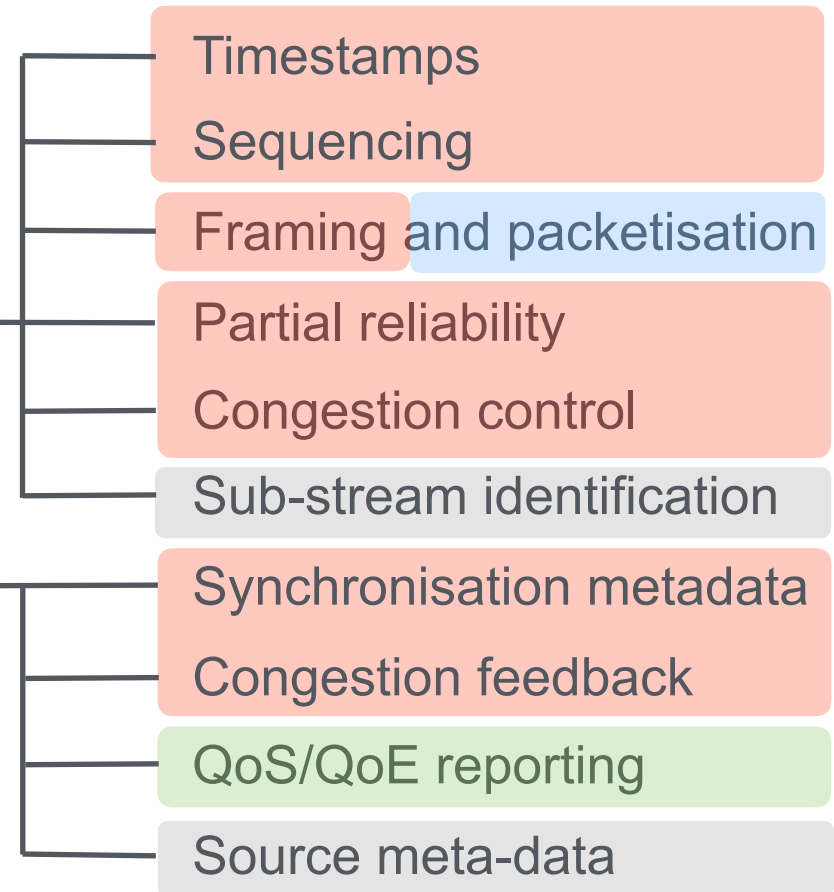
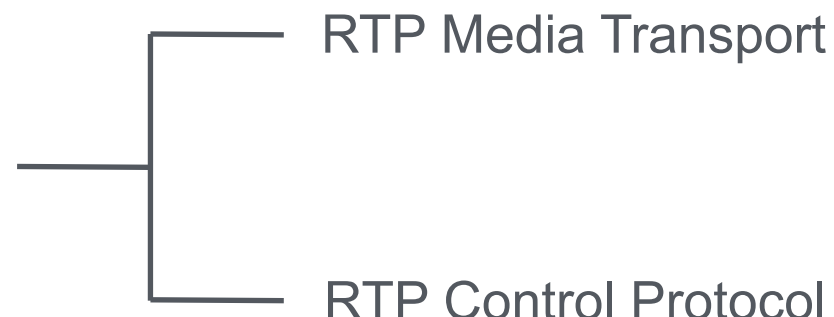
- Candidate applications:
  - Interactive video
  - Interactive voice
  - Low-latency streaming video
  - Streaming sensor data
  - AR/VR/immersive
  - Gaming?
- Key requirements:
  - Prefer timeliness over reliability → unreliable or partially reliable
  - Need to reconstruct timing
  - Need to support and synchronise multiple sub-flows
  - Media-aware congestion control beneficial, but not essential

# Real-time Media Transport – Motivating Example

- Essential for real-time performance
- Support quality of user experience
- Audio-visual media support
- Source identification

WebRTC

Signalling



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Relatively small changes to support real-time → avoid needless re-invention of the wheel; support application innovation

We're moving beyond TCP for reliable media – let's also move beyond UDP for real-time

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# Discussion

Are general purpose QUIC extensions in this space desirable?  
How should they be developed?

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